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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. **(Currently Amended)** A writing implement having a center of gravity at a position between a position 20 mm from a writing tip and a position corresponding to a middle of an overall length of the writing implement, ~~and~~ wherein a weight of a portion of the writing implement between the position 20 mm from the writing tip and the position corresponding to the middle of the overall length of the writing implement is not less than 50% of a total weight of the writing implement, and wherein a rotational inertia of the writing implement is between 4.300 and 25,000 gf·mm² about an axis passing through the center of gravity.

2. **(Previously Presented)** The writing implement according to claim 1, wherein the center of gravity is located at a position between (1) a middle of a length of a portion of the writing implement extending from the position 20 mm from the writing tip to the position corresponding to the middle of the overall length of the writing implement, and (2) the middle of the overall length of the writing implement.

3. **(Withdrawn)** The writing implement according to claim 1, wherein the writing implement includes a weight adjusting member arranged between the position 20 mm from the writing tip and the position corresponding to the middle of the overall length of the writing implement.

4. **(Withdrawn)** The writing implement according to claim 3 wherein the weight adjusting part is formed of a metal.

5. **(Previously Presented)** The writing implement according to claim 1, wherein at least one of a tip part and a back part of the writing implement is formed of a metal having a low specific gravity or a resin having a low specific gravity.

6. **(Previously Presented)** The writing implement according to claim 5, wherein the at least one of the tip part and the back part of the writing implement is formed of a metal or a resin having a

specific gravity lower than a specific gravity of a portion of the writing implement arranged between the position 20 mm from the writing tip and the position corresponding to the middle of the overall length of the writing implement.

7. **(Withdrawn)** The writing implement according to claim 1, wherein the total weight of the writing implement is greater than or equal to 15 gf.

8. **(Cancelled)**

9. **(Currently Amended)** The writing implement according to claim ~~[[8]]~~ 1, wherein the rotational inertia about the axis passing through the center of gravity is less than or equal to 20,000 gf·mm².

10. **(Withdrawn)** The writing implement according to claim 2, wherein the writing implement includes a weight adjusting member arranged between the position 20 mm from the writing tip and the position corresponding to the middle of the overall length of the writing implement.

11. **(Withdrawn)** The writing implement according to claim 10, wherein the weight adjusting part is formed of a metal.

12. **(Previously Presented)** The writing implement according to claim 2, wherein at least one of a tip part and a back part of the writing implement is formed of a metal having a low specific gravity or a resin having a low specific gravity.

13. **(Withdrawn)** The writing implement according to claim 3, wherein at least one of a tip part and a back part of the writing implement is formed of a metal having a low specific gravity or a resin having a low specific gravity

14. **(Withdrawn)** The writing implement according to claim 10, wherein at least one of a tip part and a back part of the writing implement is formed of a metal having a low specific gravity or a resin having a low specific gravity.

15. **(Withdrawn)** The writing implement according to claim 4, wherein at least one of a tip part and a back part of the writing implement is formed of a metal having a low specific gravity or a resin having a low specific gravity.

16. **(Withdrawn)** The writing implement according to claim 11, wherein at least one of a tip part and a back part of the writing implement is formed of a metal having a low specific gravity or a resin having a low specific gravity.

17. **(Previously Presented)** The writing implement according to claim 12, wherein the at least one of the tip part and the back part of the writing implement is formed of a metal or a resin having a specific gravity lower than a specific gravity of a portion of the writing implement arranged between the position 20 mm from the writing tip and the position corresponding to the middle of the overall length of the writing implement.

18. **(Withdrawn)** The writing implement according to claim 13, wherein the at least one of the tip part and the back part of the writing implement is formed of a metal or a resin having a specific gravity lower than a specific gravity of a portion of the writing implement arranged between the position 20 mm from the writing tip and the position corresponding to the middle of the overall length of the writing implement.

19. **(Withdrawn)** The writing implement according to claim 14, wherein the at least one of the tip part and the back part of the writing implement is formed of a metal or a resin having a specific gravity lower than a specific gravity of a portion of the writing implement arranged between the position 20 mm from the writing tip and the position corresponding to the middle of

the overall length of the writing implement.

20. (Withdrawn) The writing implement according to claim 15, wherein the at least one of the tip part and the back part of the writing implement is formed of a metal or a resin having a specific gravity lower than a specific gravity of a portion of the writing implement arranged between the position 20 mm from the writing tip and the position corresponding to the middle of the overall length of the writing implement.